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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir :

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § § 1.56 and 1.97-1.99, and supplemental to the Information Disclosure Statement filed on November 5, 2003, Applicants hereby call the following to the Examiner's attention.

The following documents were recently found by the Applicants:

US. Patent No.: 6,831,292 B2, issued December 14, 2004.

Further to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office's decision to waive the requirement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98 (a)(2)(i), copies of the U.S. patents and U.S. published patent applications are not enclosed herewith. However, if any copies are needed, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned.

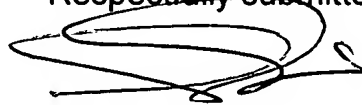
Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the materials cited and indicate such consideration by appropriately initialing the enclosed PTO-1449 Form and including a copy of the initialed form in the next official communication.

Applicants note that this Information Disclosure Statement is being filed after receipt of the first action on the merits from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office and prior to the mailing date of either a final rejection under 37 C.F.R. 1.113 or a Notice of Allowance under 37 C.F.R. 1.311. Accordingly, Applicants hereby authorize the

Commissioner to charge the amount of \$ 180.00 and any fees necessary to ensure consideration of the documents cited herein to International Business Machines Deposit Account No. 09-0458.

Should there be any questions concerning this application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below listed telephone number.

Respectfully submitted,

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